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LETTER DATED 26 SEPTEMBER 1994 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF HAITI TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a statement by President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, dated 25 September 1994.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Statement by President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, dated 25 September 1994

The full restoration of constitutional order in Haiti will be achieved in the next 21 days. Major steps towards this end have already been taken.

With a view to restoring the exercise of the civil liberties that are inherent and essential to any democracy, we call upon the United Nations Security Council to take the necessary measures to rehabilitate our communication and information systems in accordance with the provisions of Security Council resolution 841 (1993).

The nation stands ready to participate peacefully in the process of restoring constitutional order. It has spontaneously undertaken a sanitation campaign, an area which has been terribly neglected during the three years of the coup d'état. These efforts deserve support. We therefore ask that anything that might be of use in this campaign be removed from the sanctions regime currently imposed on Haiti.

In connection with our determination to alleviate the adverse impact of the embargo on the population, we urgently call upon the international community to increase its humanitarian assistance to Haiti and to improve the mechanisms for the speedy distribution of aid.

Several countries have unilaterally taken measures to hasten the departure of the illegal regime, some of which have affected the entire population. In the same spirit, we call upon those countries to consider suspending such measures, while maintaining measures specifically targeted to those who are obstructing the restoration of democracy until Security Council resolution 940 (1994) has been fully implemented.

These steps would support the efforts of the multinational forces to create a climate conducive to democracy.

With the aim of accelerating the process of fully restoring constitutional order and further to the decree of amnesty issued on 4 October 1993 in pursuance of the Governors Island Agreement, we have convened a special session of Parliament for Wednesday, 28 September 1994, for the purpose of working out draft legislation on the amnesty.